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WE SEEK TO WALK A PATH OF RECONCILIATION AND HEALING.

**10 am Eucharist
Pentecost 8
19 July 2026**

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*Whether you have been a lifelong Anglican or are new to our tradition, we welcome you this morning! If you are not familiar with Anglican worship, simply allow the words, music and symbols to speak to you. Participate as fully as you feel comfortable in doing. We stand to sing and sit to listen. Some people kneel for prayer, some sit and some stand. Please do what is comfortable for you. You are invited to join in the words in **bold type**. Music for the songs is found in the blue Common Praise or green Songs for a Gospel People hymnbooks in the pews.*

Prelude

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Gathering Hymn

**‘Jesus, Where’er Thy People Meet’
*Common Praise 474 (tune Warrington)***

**Jesus, where’er thy people meet,
there they behold thy mercy seat;
Where’er they seek thee, thou art found,
and every place is hallowed ground.**

**For thou, within no walls confined,
inhabitest the humble mind;
Such ever bring thee where they come,
and going, take thee to their home.**

**Here may we prove the power of prayer
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,
to teach our faint desires to rise,
and bring all heaven before our eyes.**

**Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
nor short thine arm nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
and make a thousand hearts thine own.**

Greeting

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: We gather here from many places on land that is the traditional and unsundered territory of the Halq’emeyn-speaking Coast Salish peoples.

People: **May Christ lead us on right pathways as we seek truth and reconciliation in action.**

The Gloria (sung 3 times)
Common Praise 376 (tune Taizé)

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

Young People's Time

The Collect of the Day

Presider: Let us pray,

All: O God of Jacob,
you speak in the light of day
and in the dark of night
when our sleeping is filled
with dreams of heaven and earth;
may we be open and watchful
to your presence in our midst;
through Jesus Christ, your dream made flesh. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The First Reading: Genesis 28:10-19

Reader: A reading from the Book of Genesis,

¹⁰ Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. ¹¹ He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹² And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴ and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east

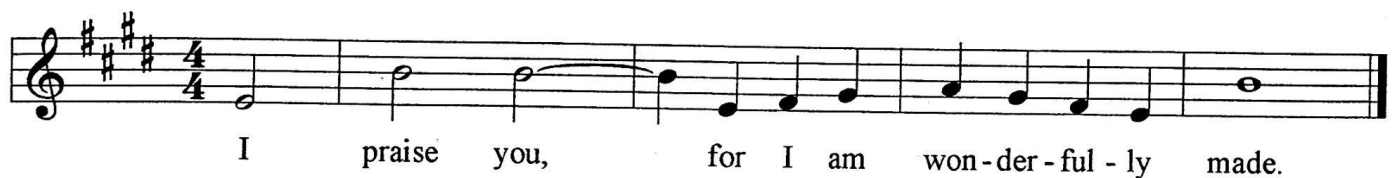
and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵ Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' ¹⁶ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!' ¹⁷ And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

¹⁸ So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹ He called that place Bethel (the House of God).

Reader: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm: 139:1-11 & 22-23 (Verses sung by choir)



Refrain: I praise you, for I am wonderfully made.

The Second Reading: Romans 8:12-25

Reader: A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans,

¹² So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— ¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader: Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

‘Almighty God, Thy Word is Cast’
Common Praise 478 (tune Albano)

**Almighty God, thy word is cast like seed into the ground;
Now let the dew of heaven descend and righteous fruits abound.**

**Let not the foe of righteousness this holy seed remove;
But give it root in every heart, to bring forth fruits of love.**

**Let not the world’s deceitful cares the rising plant destroy;
But let it yield a hundredfold the fruits of peace and joy.**

The Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30 & 36-43

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁴ Jesus put before them another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds

appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” ²⁸ He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” ²⁹ But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.””

³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ ³⁷ He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Hymn continued

**Oft as the precious seed is sown, thy quickening grace bestow,
That all whose souls the truth receive its saving power may know.**

Teaching

The Rev. Stephanie Shepard

The Apostles' Creed

Presider: Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
He was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Leader: Let us pray that the Church and the wider community may be preserved from the evils that have their roots in our world. To the bidding, 'Lord of Heaven', please respond 'shield us from sin'.

Shield the Church against all that damages her witness: from false doctrine, from pride, from indifference to those that are outside of her doors. We lift up our spiritual leaders: Sarah, archbishop of Canterbury; Shane our primate; Chris, national indigenous archbishop; John our archbishop, and Bishop Benny of our companion diocese of Northern Philippines. We give thanks for past and present clergy at Holy Trinity Cathedral. Give ministers wisdom to discern between good and evil and help them guide people in the right way. Lord of Heaven,

All: Shield us from sin.

Leader: Root out corruption in the high places of politics, business, justice, and human institutions. We pray for those places where power is misused, rights are disregarded, and needs are not met...
Strengthen and prosper those who work in difficult and dangerous situations to bring about a better life for others, that they may continue to sow good seeds. Lord of Heaven,

All: Shield us from sin.

Leader: May we seek to see and correct the wrong that is in ourselves. May we discern and foster what can be used for good. Gift us with right words and actions as we live and work with our families, friends, and neighbours. Protect this community from all evil that threatens its peace, that we may gather together in harmony. Lord of Heaven,

All: Shield us from sin.

Leader: Come in mercy to those whose lives have been blighted by circumstance or choice. Encourage those whose hopes are unfulfilled. Restore those whose bodies, minds, or spirits have been torn and wounded. We lift their names aloud or silently at this time...

Bring them home in the good harvest of your love. Lord of Heaven,
All: Shield us from sin.

Leader: Be merciful to you servants who have gone astray in this world and who have now been called to judgement. Restore them in your image and grant them a place with those who have kept the faith. We remember those who are dear to us who have now been gathered by the angels into the kingdom....
Lord of Heaven,

All: Shield us from sin.

Leader: May our prayers be acceptable in the name of Christ who has planted us in righteousness.

All: Amen.

The Absolution

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The Exchange of the Peace

Presider: May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of God's peace with your neighbours, respecting their comfort with distance and touch.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offering Hymn

'One Bread, One Body'

Common Praise 73 (tune One Bread, One Body)

***Refrain One bread, one body,
One Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.***

**Gentile or Jew,
servant or free,
woman or man, no more.**

Refrain

**Many the gifts,
many the works,
one in the Lord of all.**

Refrain

**Grain for the fields,
scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all**

Refrain

The Prayer over the Gifts

Presider: Let us pray,

**All: God of the ages,
accept our praise and thanksgiving
offered at the table of your house.
Help us in all we say and do
to be true and living sacrifices,
worthy to serve through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

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Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Songs for a Gospel People 117 (Land of Rest)

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord.
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

Presider: O God most mighty, O God most merciful, O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise, call us to your table, grant us your life. When the world was a formless void, you formed order and

beauty. When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child. When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom. Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother. He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: this cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

All: Amen.

Presider: Celebrating his resurrection, we shout out Amen.

All: Amen.

Presider: Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

All: Amen.

Presider: O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread, feed us with yourself.

O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly, O God our strength and our song, you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all and leaves that heal the nations. Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son, life in you, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Presider: In the language closest to your heart,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

You are invited to use either the traditional or contemporary version in English or the language you find most helpful for prayer.

**Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who
trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who
sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil,
for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen**

Fraction Hymn

Common Praise 63 (Eat this Bread)

**Eat this bread, drink this cup:
Come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup:
Trust in me and you will not thirst.**

Presider: Dear friends in Christ, God bids you welcome to this table. Here we are strengthened for the journey. Here strangers become friends and the seeker finds God's wisdom speaking to them. See who you are and become what you see. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Communion

You are invited to come forward to receive bread and wine. Low gluten wafers are available. You receive the fullness of Christ's love if you prefer to take one kind (just the bread or the wine). If you would prefer to have a blessing, please let the priest know.

During Communion

'God, Your Glorious Presence'

Common Praise 337 (tune Arnberg)

**God, your glorious presence draws us to adore you,
And with awe appear before you.
In your holy temple, all keep mystic silence,
Prostrate lie with deepest reverence.
You alone, God we own,
You our God and Saviour:
Praise your name for ever.**

**In God's glorious presence hear the harps resounding.
See the hosts the throne surrounding.
"Holy, holy, holy" hear the hymn ascending,
Angels, saints, their voices blending.
Bow your ear to us here,
You O Christ, the praises
that your Church now raises.**

**Fount of endless blessing, purify my spirit,
Trusting only in your merit.
Like the holy angels who behold your splendour,
May I ceaseless worship render.
Let your will ever still
rule your Church terrestrial,
As the hosts celestial.**

**Anthem- HTC Choir
'Abba Father' – C. Landry**

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Prayers after Communion

Presider: Let us pray:

**All: O God,
we have been strengthened by word and sacrament
in this holy place,
Now send us out to be a continual offering,
holy and acceptable in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Presider: Glory to God,

**All: Whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, now and forever. Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Hymn

'Go to the World'

Common Praise 598 (tune Engelberg)

**Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptizing as a sign of our rebirth. Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! God struggle, bless and pray;
The nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way. Alleluia!**

**Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you till the age shall end,
when all the hosts of heaven cry "Amen!" Alleluia!**

The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

The Prayers of the People were adapted from "Hear Our Prayer: Gospel-based intercessions" by Raymond Chapman.

The flowers in the church today are donated by Janet Taylor to the Glory of God by and in loving memory of Gordon, Suzanne and Roberta, children of the late Robert Taylor.



Liturgical Ministers today

Greeter & worship assistant, 8:00 am:

Volunteer

Greeters, 10 am:

Gerry Rowse & Kate Abel

Reader:

Rob Smith

Chalice Administrators:

Robert Rothwell & Marney Godkin

Presider & Preacher:

The Rev. Stephanie Shepard

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Greg Kennelly

Crucifer:

Linda Gravlin

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THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY CATHEDRAL

Wednesday Midweek Eucharist, 9:30-10 am*

Wednesday Fellowship Time, 10-10:30 am in the Lounge

Wednesday Bible Study, 10:30-11:30 am in the Lounge

Thursday Vespers, 5:30-6 pm via Zoom+

Saturday Community Brunch, 11 am- noon in the Hall

Sunday BCP Eucharist, 8-9 am.*

Sunday Choral Eucharist, 10-11:15 am.*

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Next Sunday's Readings for Pentecost 9, July 26, 2026:

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11; Romans 8:26-39;

Matthew 11:31-33 & 44-52